

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/701,329

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to RCE filed 07/16/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-8, 11-20, 23, 24, 26, 27 and 31-40.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 06/26/2007 has been entered.

Examiner's Amendment

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should any changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Fischer on October 1, 2007.

CLAIMS: please replace the whole independent claims 1, 24, 32 and 33 as follows:

claim 1: --A method of making an organic light-emitting device comprising:
advancing a web comprising a flexible substrate in a direction;
applying a first electrode layer such that the first electrode layer is disposed upon the flexible substrate;
applying a light-emitting layer over at least a portion of the first electrode; and

applying a second electrode layer over at least a portion of the light-emitting layer electrically isolated from the first electrode layer; wherein the first and second electrode layers, and the organic light-emitting layer are continuous in the direction of the advancing web for a length ranging from at least about 1 inch to about 10 inches.--.

claim 24: --A method of making an organic light-emitting device comprising:

advancing a web in a direction wherein the web comprises a continuous conductive flexible substrate suitable for use as a first electrode layer;

applying an insulating layer over a portion of the first electrode;

applying a light-emitting layer over at least a portion of the first electrode and insulating layer; and

applying a second electrode layer over at least a portion of the light-emitting layer electrically isolated from the first electrode layer; wherein the first and second electrode layers, and the organic light-emitting layer are continuous in the direction of the advancing web for a length ranging from at least about 1 inch to about 10 inches.--.

claim 32: --A method of making an organic light-emitting device comprising:

advancing a web comprising a flexible substrate in a direction;

laminating a polymer web mask to the flexible substrate;

applying a first electrode layer to the mask;

removing the polymer web mask such that the first electrode layer is disposed upon a portion of the flexible substrate;

applying a light-emitting layer over at least a portion of the first electrode; and
applying a second electrode layer over at least a portion of the light-emitting layer electrically isolated from the first electrode layer; wherein the first and second electrode layers, and the organic light-emitting layer are continuous in the direction of the advancing web for a length ranging from at least about 1 inch to about 10 inches.--

claim 33: --A method of making an organic light-emitting device comprising:
advancing a web comprising a flexible substrate in a direction;
applying a first electrode layer such that the first electrode layer is disposed upon the flexible substrate;
laminating a polymer web mask aligning an edge of the mask to an edge of the first electrode layer;
applying a light-emitting layer to the mask;
removing the polymer web mask such that the light-emitting layer is over at least a portion of the first electrode; and
applying a second electrode layer over at least a portion of the light-emitting layer electrically isolated from the first electrode layer; wherein the first and second electrode layers, and the organic light-emitting layer are continuous in the direction of the advancing web for a length ranging from at least about 1 inch to about 10 inches.--

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quoc Hoang whose telephone number is (571) 272-

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1780. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8.00 AM to 5.00 PM.

If attempt to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steven Loke can be reached on (571) 272-1657. The fax phone numbers of the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (571) 273-8300 for regular communications and (571) 273-8300 for After Final communications.

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